Docket No. HO-P03167US0

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Kenji Sato et al. (PCT/JP2004/003432)

Application No.: TBA

35 USC § 371 Filing Date:

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For:

PROTEOGLYCAN ISOLATED FROM CARTILAGINOUS FISH AND

METHOD OF PRODUCING THE SAME

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Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions under 37 C.F.R. § 1.10(e), the USPTO to accept the above referenced application as timely filed. While the fee check was cashed by the USPTO indicating receipt, no record of the filing documents can be located by the office and no post card was returned. Enclosed is a true copy of the filed 35 U.S.C. § 371 documents for PCT/JP2004/003432, along with a copy of our Express Mail slip and a copy of our cashed check for the filing fees. In addition, a second preliminary amendment is enclosed correcting the international application number in the priority claim of the specification in conformance with the original Application Data Sheet.

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INTERNATIONAL FILING DATE PRIORITY DATE CLAIMED INTERNATIONAL APPLICATION NO. PCT/JP2004/003431 15 March 2004 20 September 2003 TITLE OF INVENTION

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Applicant herewith submits to the United States Designated/Elected Office (DO/EO/US) the following items and other information:
1. X This is a FIRST submission of items concerning a submission under 35 U.S.C. 371.
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This is an express request to begin national examination procedures (35 U.S.C. 371(f)). The submission must include items (5), (6), (9) and (21) indicated below.
4. The US has been elected (Article 31).
5. x A copy of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371 (c)(2))
a. is attached hereto (required only if not communicated by the International Bureau).
b. x has been communicated by the International Bureau.
c. is not required, as the application was filed in the United States Receiving Office (RO/US).
6. An English language translation of the International Application as filed (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(2)).
a. is attached hereto.
b. has been previously submitted under 35 U.S.C. 154(d)(4).
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9. x An oath or declaration of the inventor(s) (35 U.S.C. 371(c)(4)).
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Items 11 to 20 below concern document(s) or information included:
11. An Information Disclosure Statement under 37 CFR 1.97 and 1.98.
12. X An assignment document for recording. A separate cover sheet in compliance with 37 CFR 3.28 and 3.31 is included.
13. X A preliminary amendment.
14. x An Application Data Sheet under 37 CFR 1.76.
15. A substitute specification.
16. A power of attorney and/or change of address letter.
17. X A computer-readable form of the sequence listing in accordance with PCT Rule 13ter.2 and 37 CFR 1.821 – 1.825.

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